

increase. It netted out positive for the city and for the state, but Senator Morehead, wily Senator Morehead, made you believe that, for example, Ainsworth was going to lose \$164.86 and they wrote a letter to that effect. It probably cost them 86 cents of that 164.86. They are going to make more money the way the bill originally came out of committee prior to her amendments, but now that you have adopted her amendment, they are going to make even more. They are going to reap even more. They are going to be able to budget more, and she is right, 25,000, 45,000 dollars is a considerable budget item, but now they are going to have even more to budget. They would have had even more to budget when you had the committee amendments in their original form, but she led you to believe that they were going to be hurting. But when you get a third more taxes, it doesn't add up, ladies and gentlemen, it doesn't add up. They are going to reap a windfall and I don't buy that there are arguments out there or that there has been any arguments stated that their expenses are not met by the current amounts that they collect, and with the bill, with the 3 days that are in there, they would have received more money. Now with these amendments, we are going to tack more on, and we continue to ask as we cut the budget in areas of social services and those areas, those nonprofit organizations to pick up more of what I think very justifiably could be considered government responsibility, but yet we continue to tax them and say, you folks, who are doing those good works for all those people out there who can't get by or have problems, we are going to tax you but we are going to let Ak-Sar-Ben go by the wayside because those horsemen and those ponies are good and that is an industry that we need to support in this state.

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HALL: I would oppose the Morehead amendment as I did the previous one, and if we aren't able to reconsider that earlier amendment, Mr. President, I have filed a bracket motion on this bill.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Further discussion, Senator Schmit, followed by Senator Smith.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, Mr. President and members, I just want to say that in reference to the amendment we just adopted and now this amendment, it seems to be a strange contrast in values that we removed the tax entirely on the nonprofit thoroughbred industry at Ak-Sar-Ben, we take that tax off. We give them now